ANNUAL REPORT OF PROGRESS

TOWN OF BRADFORD

NEW HAMPSHIRE

RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURES

Together with the Reports of the

TOWN OFFICERS

for the

Year Ending December 31, 1956

AND THE

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

for the

Year Ending June 30, 1956

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator
Paul N. Gove

Town Clerk
Elizabeth A. Cilley

Deputy Town Clerk
Lilliam S. Frey

Town Treasurer
Lillian S. Frey

Selectmen
Dana C. Sanborn '57
Reuben S. Moore '58 Bernard M. Woods '59

Police Officers
Lester A. Witham Varel Peaslee
S. Jay George Arthur Valley
Charles Delgado Donald R. Douglass
Lloyd W. Nolan Richard L. Scribner
Stanley Heath

Supervisors of Check List
Carroll Butman Marshall H. Hanson
Beachley Wolfe

Ballot Clerks
Mildred H. Gunscheon, *Rep.* Leon E. Varnum, *Rep.*
Leon F. Perkins, *Dem.* Vernon F. Hall, *Dem.*

Tax Collector
Carroll Butman

Road Agent
Forrest D. Craigie

Fire Department
Nelson C. Spaulding, *Chief*
Carroll Butman, *Ass't. Chief*
Lester F. Hall, *Treasurer* Beachley Wolfe, *Clerk*

Board of Fire Wards
Nelson C. Spaulding
Edwin E. Westerberg Harlan G. Cummings

Trustees of Trust Funds
Thomas J. Moore, Jr. '57
Vivian A. Messer '58 Lora B. Cressy '59

Trustees of the Library
Harriett A. Milner '57
Elizabeth M. Larivee '58 Louise B. Wolfe '59

Auditors
Leon F. Perkins Beachley Wolfe

Health Officer
Arthur F. Wright, M. D.

Forest Fire Warden
Nelson C. Spaulding

Surveyor of Wood and Timber
Walter A. Heselton

Librarian
Effie M. Craigie

Janitor of Town Hall
Harmon T. Douglass

Budget Committee
Daniel V. Cunningham '57 Herbert C. Remick '57
Leon F. Perkins '58 Walter A. Heselton '58
C. Albert Bischoff '59 Ralph C. Messer '59

Members of the Planning Board
Dana C. Sanborn, *Selectman*
Mildred H. Gunscheon '57 Edwin E. Westerberg '57
Beachley Wolfe '58 Robert A. Moore '58
Leon E. Varnum '59 Robert A. Messer '59

SELECTMEN'S NARRATIVE REPORT

Our town has progressed and been improved more in 1956 than it has in the past few years. In each case the need for improvement has been known for some time so your Selectmen feel that you will approve of these changes.

Everyone is interested in good roads. Invariably when a road is surfaced and improved so that it can be used the year around without difficulty the town as a whole is benefited, houses are built along this road and there is more traffic into town. We find this is true in the case of the East Washington road which we are improving with our Town Road Aid (TRA) money. Already several houses have been built and traffic from Hillsboro has increased. This road has been graveled to the Washington line and we plan to black top it this summer.

Road bridges are expensive to build and maintain. A wooden bridge may cost up to a thousand dollars to replace and lasts only five or six years. Therefore a few years ago it was decided to replace wooden bridges with steel as soon as possible. This year as you remember from Town Meeting, it was decided to replace the decking and widen the bridge across Pond Brook at the outlet of Massasecum. This was done, a new railing put on and the bridge approaches widened and built up. This work cost somewhat more than expected but was money well spent. Nothing more should be done to this bridge for many years.

The fences surrounding our cemeteries have been falling into a state of disrepair for years. Under the supervision of Selectman Moore all cemetery fences have been repaired and painted and are in good shape. In addition many truck loads of loam have been used to cover the sand surface in Sunny Plain Cemetery. Fortunately much of the loam was found in the cemetery when the new cemetery road was graded. Gravel was hauled in to take the place of the loam and a good road was made. When seeded and watered nearly the entire surface of Sunny Plain Cemetery will be grassed over. It is planned to set out ornamental trees such as silver spruces next year. In years to come this should be a beautiful cemetery.

French's Park has been used more than ever by our summer residents, but with the exception of a children's swimming class sponsored by the Women's Club very few of our towns people have been to this beautiful spot. The park has been kept clean, a new building provided, and traffic policed when necessary. Also the road was partly black topped from route 114. As this is about the only approach to the lake available to people owning cottages away from the shore, everything possible should be done to retain this property for the use of the people of Bradford.

The Red Cross room in the Town Hall was thoroughly cleaned and the walls painted a two-toned blue. Also the lighting fixtures given by the school board were installed. New Venetian blinds were installed at all of the windows and steel chairs replaced the wooden ones. On the walls Selectman Moore hung some of the old pictures of well-known citizens of Bradford of years ago, with a card giving the name and a bit of the history of each person. These have proved to be of considerable interest, especially to our older people.

All of the lighting fixtures in the back part of the Town Hall were broken and in a dangerous condition. They have now been replaced and some wiring renewed so that the danger of fire is much reduced.

We are proud to announce that again our Town Report has been awarded first place in its division (500 to 1,000 population) of New Hampshire towns. Without the hard work and planning of our town officers, together with the painstaking cooperation of our printer, this award and those of the past eight years would not have been possible.

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bradford in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Bradford on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

   (*The raising of money and other articles in the Warrant to be taken up at* 1:00 *o'clock in the afternoon.*)

3. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $676.99 for Town Road Aid. The State will furnish the sum of $4,513.28.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $325.00 for Hospitals; Concord Hospital to receive the sum of $125.00 and New London Hospital to get $200.00

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $50.00 for the American Red Cross. (*Permitted by Law*)

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $35.00 for the observance of Memorial Day.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for care of dump. (*Caretaker, etc.*)

9. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of $200.00 from the Estate of Stella M. Sargent, to be held in trust, the income from such to be used for the perpetual care of the Stella M. Sargent cemetery lot in Union Cemetery.

10. To see if the Town will vote to accept eight (8) shares of United Fruit Company stock to be held in trust, the income therefrom to be used for the perpetual care of the Frank P. and Laura P. Felton cemetery lots in Sunny Plain Cemetery.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for a parking lot at the end of the road on the East side of Lake Massasecum for the cottages beyond the end of the road when the cottage owners have their garage lots surveyed out. (*Without recommendation of Budget Committee*)

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,200.00 to oil the cross road from the Bradford Center Road, by Zealous Shoves, to Route 114. (*Without recommendation of Budget Committee*)

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500.00 to oil the road from Charles F. Gage's farm, by Marah Symmes, to the Sunset Hill Farm. (*Without recommendation of Budget Committee*)

14. To see what action the Town will take in regard to a better water supply at the East end of Bradford Village for better fire protection.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed $9,200.00 to purchase a four-wheel drive truck. The 1949 Ford truck is to be turned in toward the purchase price. This purchase is to be made by the Selectmen and three qualified Residents of Bradford to be appointed by the Moderator. The down payment is to be taken from the 1957 road appropriation. The balance of the purchase price is to be amortized at $1,000.00 a year. (*Without recommendation of Budget Committee*)

16. To hear reports of committes and act thereon.

17. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

18. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Town Officers.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-fifth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

REUBEN S. MOORE
BERNARD M. WOODS
Selectmen of Bradford, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant Attest:

REUBEN S. MOORE
BERNARD M. WOODS
Selectmen of Bradford, N. H.

BUDGET

TOWN OF BRADFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Estimates of Revenues and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year Jan.1, 1957 to Dec. 31, 1957 *compared with* Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year Jan. 1, 1956 to Dec. 31, 1956.

Sources of Revenue	Est. Revenue Previous Year 1956	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1956	Est. Revenue Ensuing Year 1957
Interest and Dividend Tax	$2,500.00	$2,642.78	$2,500.00
Railroad Tax	75.00	92.04	75.00
Savings Bank Tax	200.00	227.67	200.00
Reimbursement a/c exemption Growing Wood and Timber	2,000.00	2,559.78	2,000.00
Dog Licenses	175.00	210.05	175.00
Rent of Town Hall	75.00	25.00	---
Interest on Taxes	200.00	340.47	200.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,200.00	2,847.68	2,500.00
Poll Taxes	500.00	376.00	500.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	12.00	10.00	10.00
Total Revenues from all sources except Property Taxes	$7,937.00	$9,331.47	$8,160.00
Amount to be raised by Property Taxes (exclusive of County and School Taxes)			33,263.99
			$41,423.99

Total estimated "Revenues from All Sources Except Property Taxes" deducted from total estimated "Expenditures" should give estimated Amount to be raised by Property Taxes"

Daniel V. Cunningham
Walter A. Heselton
C. Albert Bischoff
Leon F. Perkins
Bernard M. Woods
Robert A. Moore
Budget Committee

BUDGET

Purposes of Expenditure	Appro. Previous Year 1956	Actual Expenditure Previous Year 1956	Estimated Expenditure Ensuing Year 1957
Town Officers' Salaries	$2,100.00	$2,307.15	$2,200.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,500.00	1,390.59	1,500.00
Election and Registration Expenses	500.00	464.50	200.00
Expense Town Hall	1,000.00	1,245.92	700.00
Police Department	150.00	138.09	600.00
Fire Department	1,150.00	1,202.67	1,000.00
Pine Blister Rust Control	400.00	400.00	---
Insurance	1,200.00	1,436.94	1,200.00
Health Department	400.00	400.00	400.00
Vital Statistics	25.00	19.95	25.00
Town Dump	600.00	600.00	800.00
Highway Maintenance (Summer)	5,000.00	6,000.00	5,500.00
Highway Maintenance (Winter)	4,500.00	6,317.10	6,000.00
Street Lighting	1,750.00	1,733.40	1,750.00
General Expense Highway Department	2,500.00	3,323.45	3,000.00
Town Road Aid	678.83	992.23	676.99
Repairs of Bridges	500.00	500.00	1,000.00
Libraries	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,212.00
Town Poor	1,200.00	1,407.26	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance	3,000.00	3,201.89	3,300.00
Memorial Day	35.00	102.10	35.00
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00	195.77	100.00
Cemeteries	900.00	1,336.40	900.00
Advertising Town	200.00	---	---
Social Security	300.00	174.44	325.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	300.00	494.62	400.00
Interest on Long Term Notes	300.00	295.70	300.00
Oiling Town Roads	4,500.00	4,500.00	3,300.00
New Bridge	1,500.00	1,500.00	---
Payment on Long Term Notes	4,000.00	4,000.00	2,000.00
Deficit Year 1956	---	---	2,000.00
Redecorating Town Hall	500.00	505.87	---
Planning Board Expenses	50.00	---	---
	$41,803.83	$46,261.34	$41,423.99

Appropriations Submitted Without Recommendation of Budget Committee

Oiling Road - Gage Farm to Sunset Hill Farm	$2,500.00
Oiling Road - Center Road to Rt. 114 (Jones Road)	1,200.00
Purchase of new Town Truck	9,200.00

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

Land and Buildings	$935,769.00
Electric Plants	63,000.00
Horses (13)	600.00
Neatstock (44)	1,915.00
Cows (105)	8,245.00
Fowl (3150)	1,580.00
Trailers (1)	300.00
Portable Mills (2)	1,400.00
Wood and Lumber	1,790.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	2,560.00
Stock in Trade	35,757.00
Mills and Machinery	21,200.00
Total Valuation	$1,074,116.00
Less Soldiers' Exemptions	36,770.00
Valuation for Taxation	$1,037,346.00

Tax Rate @ $6.40 per hundred

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES 1956

Title of Appropriations	*Appro.*	*Receipts & Reimbursem'ts.*	*Total Am't. Available*	*Expenditures*	*Unexpended Balance*	*Overdraft*
Town Officers' Salaries	$2,100.00	---	$2,100.00	$2,307.15	---	$207.15
Town Officers' Expenses	1,500.00	$.20	1,500.20	1,390.59	$109.61	---
Election and Registration	500.00	---	500.00	464.30	35.70	---
Town Hall	1,000.00	25.00	1,025.00	1,245.92	---	220.92
Special Town Hall Account	500.00	---	500.00	505.87	---	5.87
Police Department	150.00	---	150.00	138.09	11.91	---
Fire Department	1,150.00	56.64	1,206.64	1,202.67	3.97	---
Moth Extermination	400.00	10.63	410.63	400.00	10.63	---
Health Department	400.00	---	400.00	400.00	---	---
Winter Roads	4,500.00	---	4,500.00	6,317.10	---	1,817.10
Summer Roads	5,000.00	257.30	5,257.30	6,000.00	---	742.70
Oiling Roads	4,500.00	---	4,500.00	4,500.00	---	---
Repairs to Bridges	500.00	---	500.00	500.00	---	---
Pond Bridge	1,500.00	---	1,500.00	1,500.00	---	---
Care of Town Dump	600.00	---	600.00	600.00	---	---
General Highway Expense	2,500.00	---	2,500.00	3,323.45	---	823.45
Town Road Aid	678.83	233.94	912.77	992.23	---	79.46
Street Lighting	1,750.00	---	1,750.00	1,733.40	16.60	---
Library	1,000.00	---	1,000.00	1,000.00	---	---
Old Age Assistance	3,000.00	---	3,000.00	3,201.89	---	201.89
Town Poor	1,200.00	---	1,200.00	1,407.26	---	207.26
Memorial Day	50.00	---	50.00	102.10	---	52.10
Cemeteries	900.00	2,020.31	2,920.31	3,356.71	---	436.40
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00	32.76	132.76	195.77	---	63.01
Insurance	1,200.00	189.46	1,389.46	1,436.94	---	47.48
Interest-Long and Short Term	600.00	---	600.00	790.32	---	190.32
Payments on Long Term Notes	4,000.00	---	4,000.00	4,000.00	---	---
Vital Statistics	25.00	---	25.00	19.25	5.75	---
Planning Board Expense	50.00	---	50.00	---	50.00	
Town Brochure	200.00	---	200.00	---	200.00	--- ---
Social Security	300.00	---	300.00	125.56	174.44	---
Totals	$41,853.83	$ 2,826.24	$44,680.07	$49,156.57	$618.61	$5,095.11
						618.61
Expense over Appropriations						$ 4,476.50

TOWN EXPENDITURES

FINANCIAL REPORT

of the

TOWN OF BRADFORD

in

MERRIMACK COUNTY

for the

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1956

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Reuben S. Moore
Bernard M. Woods
Selectmen of Bradford

Lillian S. Frey
Town Treasurer

February 15, 1957

BALANCE

ASSETS

Cash:		
In hands of treasurer	$4,517.65	
In hands of officials:		
(a) Road Agent	3.91	
(b) Library Trustees	157.19	
Accounts Due to the Town:		
Due from State:		
Exemption of growing wood and timber	906.18	
Due from County:		
1 Cemetery plot at Sunny Plains	25.00	
Unredeemed Taxes: (*from tax sale on account of*)		
Levy of 1955	1,316.78	
Levy of 1954	560.60	
Previous Years	123.15	
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1956	12,349.37	
Levy of 1955	455.97	
State Head Taxes — Levy of 1956	345.00	
State Head Taxes — Previous Years	35.00	
Total Assets		**$20,795.80**
Excess of Liabilities over Assets (*Net Debt*)		8,990.95
Grand Total		**$29,786.75**

Net Debt, December 31, 1955	$11,214.64
Net Debt, December 31, 1956	8,990.95
Decrease of Debt, of Surplus	$2,223.69

SHEET

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:		
Eastern Lumber Co.,		
Yield Tax on deposit	$250.00	
Due to State		
State Head Taxes—1956:		
Uncollected	350.00	
Collected—not remitted to State Treas.	30.00	
Due to School District:		
Balance of Appropriation	12,800.00	
Outstanding Temporary Loans-		
(in Anticipation of Taxes)		
Citizens National Bank	10,000.00	
(due March 6, 1957)		
Long Term Notes Outstanding:		
(2) 1,000.00 notes due June 1957 to 1958		
& 1 Note $365.75 due June 1959		
on highway truck	2,356.75	
(4) $1,000.00 notes due Dec. 1957 to 1960		
Rebuilding 3 bridges	4,000.00	
Total Liabilities		$29,786.75

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:		
(Collected and remitted to Treasurer)		
Property Taxes-Current Year-1956	$54,273.26	
Poll Taxes-Current Year-		
Regular @ $2 - 1956	376.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes - 1956	10.00	
Yield Taxes - 1956-	1,780.58	
State Head Taxes @ $5 -1956-	1,125.00	
Total Current Year's Taxes collected and remitted		$57,564.84
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes-Previous Years		11,807.33
Poll Taxes -Previous Years-Regular @$2		124.00
State Head Taxes @$5-Previous Years		345.00
Interest received on taxes		311.10
Penalities on State Head Taxes		33.00
Tax sales redeemed		694.31
From State:		
Warden training meetings	$30.94	
For Class V Highway maintenance	233.94	
Interest and dividends tax	2,642.78	
Railroad Tax	92.04	
Savings Bank Tax and Building and Loan Association Tax	227.67	
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	2,559.78	
Refund - Pine Blister Rust	10.93	5,797.78
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:		
Dog licenses (98)	$207.55	
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	15.00	
Fines and forfeits, municipal court	2.50	
Rent of town property	25.00	
Income from trust funds	1,953.07	
Registration of motor vehicles:		
1955 Permits (11)	42.25	
1956 Permits (414)	2,769.79	
1957 Permits (2)	35.64	5,050.80
Total Current Revenue Receipts		**$81,728.16**

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:		
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	$51,000.00	
Sale of cemetery plots	100.00	
Town of Newbury, Morse Hill road	257.30	
Town of Warner:		
Jesseman and Mink Hill fires	15.70	
Telephone call	.20	
Stop Payment check No. 379	169.08	
Elizabeth A. Cilley, insurance dividend	20.38	
Ned Smith, sale of oil barrel	10.00	
Total Receipts other than Current Revenue		$51,572.66
Total Receipts from All Sources		$133,390.82
Cash on Hand January 1, 1956		3,223.69
Grand Total		$136,524.51

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:	
General Government:	
Town officers' salaries	$2,307.15
Town officers' expenses	1,390.59
Election and registration expenses	464.30
Expenses town hall & other town bldgs.	1,751.79
Protection of Persons and Property:	
Police department	138.09
Fire department, including forest fires	1,202.67
Blister Rust	400.00
Insurance	1,436.94
Health:	
Health department, including hospitals	400.00
Vital Statistics	19.25
Town dump and garbage removal	600.00

Highways and Bridges:			
Repairs to Bridges		$500.00	
Town Road Aid		992.23	
Town Maintenance:	Summer	6,000.00	
	Winter	6,317.10	
Street lighting		1,733.40	
General Expenses of Highway Dept.		3,323.45	
Oiling		4,500.00	
Libraries:		1,000.00	
Public Welfare:			
Old age assistance		3,201.89	
Town poor		1,407.26	
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day and Veterans' Assoc.		102.10	
Aid to soldiers and their families		115.44	
Recreation:			
Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts		195.77	
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries, including hearse hire		3,256.71	
Unclassified:			
Damages and legal expenses		10.00	
Advertising and Regional Associations		34.00	
Taxes bought by town		1,316.78	
Employees' Retirement and Social Security		125.56	
Total Current Maintenance Expenses			**$44,242.47**
Interest:			
Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes		494.62	
Paid on long term notes		295.70	
Total Interest Payments			**$790.32**

Outlay for New Construction, Equipment and Permanent Improvements:			
New Bridge		1,500.00	
Total Outlay Payments			1,500.00
Indebtedness:			
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes		45,000.00	
Payments on long term notes		4,000.00	
Payments to trustees of trust funds:			
4 Cemetery plots		100.00	
Total Indebtedness Payments			$49,100.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:			
State Head YTaxes paid State Treas.:			
1956 Taxes	1,003.50		
Prior Years	395.00	1,398.50	
Taxes paid to County		3,639.77	
Payments to School Districts:			
1955 Tax	15,275.00		
1956 Tax	16,060.80	31,335.80	
Total Payments to Other Governmental Div.			$36,374.07
Total Payments for All Purposes			$132,006.86
Cash on Hand December 31, 1956			4,517.65
Grand Total			$136,524.51

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	$25,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	5,000.00
Library, Lands and Building	25,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	5,000.00
Police Department Equipment	50.00
Fire Department, Land and Building	5,000.00
Equipment	14,600.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	8,000.00
Equipment	20,000.00
Materials and Supplies	1,200.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	2,500.00
School, Land and Building	30,000.00
Equipment	8,000.00
All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds:	
Robinson Lot and Dump	1,500.00
Varnum Lot - Lake Massasecum	300.00
Pond Meeting House Lot	500.00
Common Bradford Center	200.00
Total	**$151,850.00**

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956

Receipts

Tax for registration of motor vehicles:		
11 permits 1955	$42.25	
414 permits 1956	2,769.79	
2 permits 1957	35.64	
Total 427 permits		$2,847.68
Filing Fees		2.00
Dog licenses:		
98 registered	$226.65	
6 penalties	3.00	
	$229.65	
Less Fees @ 20 cents each	19.60	210.05
		$3,059.73

Payments to Treasurer

Permits	$2,847.68	
Filing Fees	2.00	
Dog Taxes	210.05	$3,059.73

ELIZABETH A. CILLEY
Town Clerk

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
Property, Poll and Yield Taxes

LEVY OF 1956

	Dr.	
Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	$66,391.10	
Poll Taxes	524.00	
National Bank Stock Tax	10.00	$66,925.10
Yield Taxes		1,918.47
Added Property Taxes		259.84
Interest Collected		1.94
Total Debits		**$69,105.35**

	Cr.
Remittances to Treasurer:	
Property Taxes	$54,273.26
Poll Taxes	376.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	10.00
Yield Taxes	1,780.58
Interest Collected	1.94
Abatements	314.20
Uncollected as per Collector's List:	
Property Taxes	12,097.48
Poll Taxes	114.00
Yield Taxes	137.89
Total Credits	**$69,105.35**

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
Property, Poll and Yield Taxes

LEVY OF 1955:

	Dr.
Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1, 1956:	
Property Taxes	$10,709.18
Poll Taxes	132.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	2.00

Added Taxes:	
Yield Taxes	1,526.15
Property Taxes	126.65
Poll Taxes	12.00
Interest Collected During Year	309.16
Total Debits	$12,817.14

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer during Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1956:	
Property Taxes	10,574.65
Poll Taxes	124.00
Interest Collected	309.16
Yield Taxes	1,232.65
Abatements During Year	120.71
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:	
Yield Taxes	293.50
Property and Poll Taxes	160.47
National Bank Stock Taxes	2.00
Total Credits	$12,817.14

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
State Head Tax

LEVY OF 1956:

Dr.

Warrant	$1,545.00
Added Taxes	20.00
Total Debits	$1,565.00

Remittances to Treasurer:	1,125.00
Head Taxes	95.00
Abatements	
Uncollected as per Collector's List:	
	345.00
Total Credits	$1,565.00

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
State Head Taxes

LEVY OF 1955:

	Dr.
Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1, 1956	390.00
Added during Year of 1956	20.00
Penalties Collected	33.00
Total Debits	**$443.00**

	Cr.
Remittances to Treasurer during Year 1956:	
Head Taxes	345.00
Penalties	33.00
Abatements	30.00
Uncollected as per Collector's List:	35.00
Total Credits	**$443.00**

Unredeemed Taxes from Tax Sales on Account of Levies of:

	1955	1954	1953	1952 *and Pre. Yrs.*
E. A. Moore Jr.	$138.01			
Paul Clark	126.58			
Robert Bailey	15.98			
Harold Toomey	111.23			
Benjamin Johnson	192.55			
August Rehberg	129.28			
Albert Robinson	78.16			
Alfred Degenhardt		$211.48	2.99	
Ernest Durgin		12.25	11.67	47.56
John Farrell	11.10	10.51		
Eugene Haywood	9.87	9.35		
William C. Thomas		20.91		
M. O. Mathewson & Heirs	5.26	5.03		
William Tapply	69.48	2.05		
Woodsville Logging Co.	17.86	16.86	15.90	1.55
E. C. Rollins		6.47	6.38	6.36
L. Leach Estate		6.47	6.38	6.36
Silas Colby Estate		9.35	9.02	8.98
G. G. Barstow Estate	89.68	74.78		
Almon Dowlin		3.33		
John Rowell	40.58	20.98		
George Shattuck	92.79	43.25		
Douglass Saxby	188.37			
Arthur Valley		107.53		
	$1,316.28	$560.60	$52.34	$70.82

Summary of Tax Sales Accounts as of December 31, 1956

	1955	1954	1953	*Previous Years*
		Dr.		
Taxes Sold to Town during year	$1,316.78			
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes as of 1/1/56		$940.40	$165.87	$198.59
Interest Collected		13.12	12.52	
Total Debits	**$1,316.78**	**$953.52**	**$178.39**	**$198.59**
		Cr.		
Remittances to Treasurer	243.08	362.66	$88.57	
Deeded to Town		30.26	28.62	41.64
Abatements			8.86	86.14
Unredeemed Taxes	1,073.70	560.60	52.34	70.81
Total Credits	**$1,316.78**	**$953.52**	**$178.39**	**$198.59**

Respectfully Submitted,

CARROLL BUTMAN
Tax Collector

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER
Detail Statement of Receipts

Balance on hand December 31, 1955		$3,223.69
Receipts:		
Carroll Butman, Tax Collector:		
1956 Property Tax	54,273.26	
1956 Poll Tax	376.00	
1956 Head Tax	1,125.00	
1956 Interest	1.94	
1956 National Bank Stock	10.00	
1956 Yield Tax	1,780.58	
1956 Head Tax Penalties	6.00	
1955 Property Tax	10,574.65	
1955 Poll Tax	124.00	
1955 Head Tax	345.00	
1955 Interest	309.16	
1955 Yield Tax	1,232.68	
1955 Head Tax Penalties	27.00	70,185.27
Redeemed Taxes 1955:		
Douglass Saxby (*paid by N. H. Savings Bank*)	175.20	
William Tapply	64.15	
Interest and Costs	3.73	243.08
Redeemed Taxes 1954:		
Douglass Saxby	234.58	
Herbert Stevens	26.68	
James McIntyre	39.28	
George Shattuck	49.00	
Interest and Costs	13.12	362.66
Redeemed Taxes 1953:		
George Shattuck	76.05	
Interest and Costs	12.52	88.57

Elizabeth A. Cilley, Town Clerk:		
98 Dogs	207.55	
Penalties	2.50	
One Filing Fee	2.00	
1955 (11 permits)	42.25	
1956 (414 permits)	2,769.79	
1957 (2 permits)	35.64	3,059.73
Cemetery Plots Sunny Plain:		
Esther Hall (A25)	25.00	
B. Kittridge & Others D-17 Cyrus Jones	25.00	
Mrs. Marion Anderson (C10)	25.00	
Robert A. and Mary E. Moore (A24)	25.00	100.00
Forrest Craigie, Road Agent:		
Town of Newbury (Morse Hill)		257.30
Rent of Town Hall:		
Bradford Women's Club		25.00
State of New Hampshire:		
Reimbursement a/c Growing Wood and Timber	2,559.78	
Warden Training Meetings: (March, May, June)	30.94	
Maintenance Class V Highways	233.94	
White Pine Blister Rust Refund	10.63	
Interest and Dividends Tax	2,642.78	
Savings Bank Tax	227.67	
Railroad Tax	92.04	5,797.78
Temporary Loans:		
Citizens National Bank, Newport, N. H.		51,000.00
Selectmen:		
Five pistol permits	3.00	
Town of Warner:		
Jesseman-Mink Hill Fires	15.70	
Phone Call	.20	

Bradford Women's Club Fair:			
Beano Permit		10.00	
Stop payment Check No. 379		169.08	
E. A. Cilley, insurance dividend		20.38	
Ned Smith - Sale of oil barrel - Fire House		10.00	
Trustees of Trust Funds:			
Reimbursement-	Perpetual Care lots	440.50	
"	French's Park expenses	32.76	
"	Sunny Plain Cemetery: Trow Fund	1,009.47	
"	Repairing Cemetery Fences-Bradford Cem. Trust Fund	470.34	2,181.43
Total Receipts			**$136,524.51**
Less by Payments on Selectmen's orders			132,006.86
Balance on hand December 31, 1956			**$4,517.65**

LILLIAN S. FREY
Town Treasurer

STATEMENT OF LONG TERM NOTES

December 31, 9156

Showing Annual Maturities of Long Term Notes

Maturities	*Highway Truck* 1953 3% Original Amount $5, 356.75	*Rebuilding 3 Bridges* 1954 3% Original Amount $7, 000.00	Total Annual Maturities
1957	$1,000.00	$1,000.00	$2,000.00
1958	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
1959	356.75	1,000.00	1,356.75
1960	---	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total	**$2,356.75**	**$4,000.00**	**$6,356.75**

DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Town Officers' Salaries

Appropriation		$2,100.00
PAID:		
Dana C. Sanborn, Selectman	$434.14	
Reuben S. Moore, Selectman	512.54	
Bernard M. Woods, Selectman	314.58	
Carroll Butman, Tax Collector	701.77	
Lillian S. Frey, Treasurer	147.00	
Elizabeth A. Cilley, Town Clerk	73.50	
Leon F. Perkins, Auditor	21.56	
Beachley Wolfe, Auditor	19.60	
Lora B. Cressy, Trustee Trust Funds	49.00	
State Treasurer:		
Social Security withheld	33.46	$2,307.15
Overdraft		$207.15

Town Officers' Expenses

Appropriation	$1,500.00	
Selectmen, telephone call	.20	
		$1,500.20
PAID:		
George Simpson, postage & envelopes	$25.45	
Henry Cilley, postage & envelopes	30.00	
Brown & Saltmarsh, Inc., supplies	56.11	
Mayflower Press, 500 Town Reports	548.66	
Edson C. Eastman Co., 125 dog slips	7.45	
Ralph L. Dodge Co., steel tape & supplies	6.85	
C. A. Danforth & Co., supplies	.88	
Bernard M. Woods, 5 cushions for chairs	1.15	

Merr. Co. Tel. Co., service	55.00		
tolls	44.15	99.15	
Citizens Nat. Bank, service charge		18.40	
Elizabeth A. Cilley, 427 permits		209.22	
Elizabeth A. Cilley, expenses to Town Clerk's meeting		19.80	
Elizabeth A. Cilley, expenses as Town Clerk		7.79	
Lora B. Cressy, trustee's expense		2.19	
Lillian S. Frey, treasurer's expense		20.33	
Assoc. of N.H. Assessors, dues		3.00	
N.H. Tax Collectors' Assoc., dues		3.00	
Chas. F. Hardy, Treas.: Town Clerk's dues		2.00	
U.S. Auto & Truck Guide, subs.		8.00	
Mildred Gunscheon, clerical work		188.90	
Ruth S. Moore, work on blotter book and inventory blanks		35.28	
Reuben S. Moore, expense to road meeting		2.00	
Reuben S. Moore, use of car		23.50	
Dana C. Sanbormn, use of car		22.25	
Bernard M. Woods, use of car		8.00	
Leon F. Perkins, drawing deed & auditors' expense		6.58	
Katherine Crowley, conveyances		21.01	
Register of Probate, list 8 estates		.80	
State of N.H., 3 copies statutes		3.75	
State Treasurer, *social security withheld*		9.09	$1,390.59
Balance			$109.61

Election and Registration

Appropriation		$500.00
PAID:		
Leon F. Perkins, ballot clerk	$17.64	
Vernon F. Hall, ballot clerk	17.64	
Mildred H. Gunscheon, ballot clerk	11.76	
Leon E. Varnum, ballot clerk	11.76	
Beachley Wolfe, ballot clerk	11.76	

Paul N. Gove, moderator & expense	31.40	
Rev. Norman L. Armstrong, moderator	7.00	
Harry Hanson, supervisor	44.10	
Carroll Butman, supervisor	36.26	
Raymond M. Peaslee, supervisor	16.66	
Dana C. Sanborn, selectman	31.36	
Reuben S. Moore, selectman	30.86	
Bernard M. Woods, selectman	21.56	
Elizabeth A. Cilley, town clerk	24.50	
Mayflower Press, town meeting ballots	29.00	
Women's Christian Guild: meals for town meeting, primary & election	107.00	
Ruth S. Moore, copying check lists	11.76	
State Treasurer: *social security withheld*	2.28	$464.30
Balance		$35.70

Town Hall Expenses

Appropriation	$1,000.00	
Bradford Women's Club, rent	25.00	$1,025.00
PAID:		
H. T. Douglass, janitor	$470.40	
Public Service Co., electric service	116.76	
C. A. Danforth & Co., fuel oil	37.64	
C. A. Danforth & Co., supplies	5.98	
Warner Fuel Co., 4 tons coal	110.00	
Ralph L. Dodge Co., supplies	19.12	
Merr. Farm. Exchange, Inc., supplies	3.84	
Bernard M. Woods, 2 locks	1.38	
Arthur E. Rowe, electrical work	171.86	
Arthur B. Gardner, grates, repairs and supplies	88.84	
Wallace Ingalls, cleaning	34.30	
Mabel Ingalls, cleaning & painting	57.32	
Devona Wheeler, cleaning & painting	57.32	
Hattie Seavey, cleaning & painting	57.32	
State Treasurer: *social security withheld*	13.84	$1,245.92
Overdraft		$220.92

Special Town Hall Account

Appropriation		$500.00
PAID:		
Ralph L. Dodge Co., paint and supplies	$105.75	
Sears, Roebuck & Co., venetian blinds	71.40	
Twombly Associates, 48 folding chairs	197.21	
Reuben S. Moore, express on blinds	2.51	
Wallace Ingalls, painting	13.72	
Mabel Ingalls, painting	33.32	
Devona Wheeler, painting	33.32	
Hattie Seavey, painting	29.40	
Reuben S. Moore, labor	11.76	
Clarence Wheeler, patching walls	5.00	
State Treasurer:		
social security withheld	2.48	$505.87
Overdraft		$5.87

Police Department

Appropriation		$150.00
PAID:		
Reuben S. Moore, police duty	$9.80	
Reuben S. Moore, use of car	2.00	
Howard G. Tilton, police duty	5.88	
Lloyd Nolan, police duty-French's Park	17.64	
Varel Peaslee, police duty	63.05	
Robert A. Moore, police duty	1.96	
Stanley Heath, police duty	5.88	
Richard Scribner, police duty	5.88	
Mayflower Press, hat badge	3.00	
Hazel Wright, witness	8.00	
Leon E. Sargent, 4 trips to Rowe's Hill to feed horses furnishing hay	10.00	
State Treasurer:		
social security withheld	5.00	$138.09
Balance		$11.91

Fire Department

Appropriation	$1,150.00	
State of N.H., warden training	20.35	
State of N.H., warden's service	10.59	
Town of Warner:		
Jesseman & Mink Hill fire	15.70	
Ned Smith, sale of oil barrel	10.00	$1,206.64
PAID:		
Public Service Co., electric service	$72.35	
Bradford Garage, gas, repairs & parts	114.57	
C. A. Danforth & Co., fuel oil	180.32	
C. A. Danforth & Co., supplies	3.60	
Arthur B. Gardner, repairs & parts	83.15	
Arthur E. Rowe, replace stack control	20.00	
Merr. Co. Tel. Co., toll call	.11	
Ralph L. Dodge Co. batteries	7.52	
Twombly Associates, 24 folding chairs	90.00	
Eureka Fire Hose, fire hose	200.00	
Merr. Farm. Exchange, Inc., 2 hot shot batteries	5.90	
American Fire Equipment Co., red light & 2 pairs boots	36.54	
N.H. Welding Supply Co., fire extinguisher	30.56	
N.H. Welding Supply Co., supplies	8.57	
Merr. Farm. Exchange, Inc., pipe for dam project	10.80	
Wilfred Seavey, filling in at dam	24.50	
Varel Peaslee, filling in at dam	24.50	
Forrest D. Craigie, filling in at dam	29.40	
Harry Hanson, filling in at dam	60.00	
Curtis Rowe, digging up sewer at dam	30.00	
Leonard Wheeler, use of tractor at dam	15.00	
Harry Hanson, training session	4.90	
Carroll Butman, training session	4.90	
Leon E. Sargent, training session	4.90	
Walter A. Heselton Sr., training session	4.90	
Walter A. Heselton Jr., training session	4.90	
Nelson Spaulding, training session & expense	16.60	
Herbert Fearing, mowing at waterholes	3.24	
Nelson Spaulding, forest fires	34.50	

Nelson Spaulding:		
labor and janitor service	73.50	
State Treasurer:		
social security withheld	2.94	$1,202.67
Balance		$3.97

Blister Rust

Appropriation	$400.00	
State of N.H., refund Blister Rust control	10.63	$410.63
PAID:		
State Forester, Blister Rust control	$400.00	$400.00
Balance		$10.63

Health Department, including Hospitals

Appropriation		$400.00
PAID:		
American Red Cross, town donation	$50.00	
Concord Hospital, town donation	150.00	
New London Hospital, town donation	200.00	$400.60

Winter Roads

Appropriation		$4,500.00
PAID:		
Forrest D. Craigie, Road Agent	$6,317.10	$6,317.10
Overdraft		$1,817.10

Summer Roads

Appropriation	$5,000.00	
Town of Newbury, Morse Hill road	257.30	$5,257.30

PAID:		
Forrest D. Craigie, Road Agent	$6,000.00	$6,000.00
Overdraft		$742.70

Oiling

Appropriation		$4 500.00
PAID:		
Forrest D. Craigie, Road Agent	$4,500.00	$4,500.00

Repairs to Bridges

Appropriation		$500.00
PAID:		
Forrest D. Craigie, Road Agent	$500.00	$500.00

Pond Bridge

Appropriation		$1,500.00
PAID:		
Forrest D. Craigie, Road Agent	$1,500.00	$1,500.00

Town Dump

Appropriation		$600.00
PAID:		
Forrest D. Craigie, Road Agent	$600.00	$600.00

General Highway Expense

Appropriation		$2,500.00
PAID:		
Forrest D. Craigie, Road Agent	$3,323.45	$3,323.45
Overdraft		$823.45

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State of New Hampshire

Appropriation	$678.83	
State of New Hampshire: maintenance of Class V highways	233.94	$912.77
PAID:		
Town Road Aid	$678.83	
Lizzie Snow, gravel	155.20	
Chaffee Bros., gravel	130.20	
William Cleve	28.00	$992.23
Overdraft		$79.46

(The State furnished the sum of $4,525.52)

Street Lighting

Appropriation		$1,750.00
PAID:		
Public Service Co.	$1,733.40	$1,733.40
Balance		$16.60

Library

Appropriation		$1,000.00
PAID:		
Louise Wolfe, trustee	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

Old Age Assistance

Appropriation	$3,000.00

PAID:			
State of New Hampshire		$3,201.89	$3,201.89
Overdraft			$201.89

Town Poor

Appropriation			$1,200.00
PAID:			
Alma Jones:			
L. Boutwell, groceries	$46.14		
C.A.Danforth & Co., oil	9.63	$55.77	
Cyrus Jones,:			
H.L.Holmes & Son, funeral expense		245.00	
George H. Shattuck Sr.:			
L. Boutwell, groceries		14.89	
Katherine Rowell:			
New London Hospital:			
one-half bill	513.70		
W. P. Clough, M.D.	198.00		
John H. Ohler, M.D.	30.00		
Dr. Alfred Sears	35.00		
Wallace Woodward, burial	24.50		
H. L. Holmes & Son:			
funeral expense	200.00	$1,001.20	
Lester A Witham, Overseer		88.20	
State Treasurer:			
social security withheld		2.20	$1,407.26
Overdraft			$207.26

Soldiers' Aid

PAID:		
L. "Red" Boutwell, groceries	$ 90.44	
C. A. Danforth & Co., groceries	25.00	$115.44

Memorial Day

Appropriation		50.00
PAID:		
Wilkins-Cloues-Bigelow Post 39:		
8 doz. flags for 1955	$17.60	
11 doz. flags & 2 grave markers for 1956	34.50	
N. H. Marine Memorial, contribution	50.00	$102.10
Overdraft		$52.10

Cemeteries

General Care (*including Perpetual Care*)

Appropriation	$900.00	
Esther Hall, lot A25 - Sunny Plain	25.00	
Cyrus Jones, lot D17 - Sunny Plain	25.00	
Marian Anderson, lot C10 - Sunny Plain	25.00	
Robert A. & Mary E. Moore, lot A24 - Sunny Plain	25.00	
Trustees of Trust Funds: *reimbursement perpetual care upkeep*	440.50	$1,440.50
PAID:		
Labor:		
Wallace Woodward	$417.09	
Robert H. Bagley	471.15	
Lloyd Nolan	318.90	
Roy P. Parsons	6.94	
Reuben S. Moore	7.84	
Wilfred Seavey, mowing	12.00	
Wallace Woodward, use of truck, repairs to mower & supplies	97.58	
Robert H. Bagley, use of car	2.00	
Reuben S. Moore, use of car	3.00	
Lloyd Nolan, use of truck	5.00	
Arthur B. Gardner, repairs & supplies	20.35	

Merr. Farm. Exchange, Inc., parts & repairs on pump	36.83	
Ralph L. Dodge Co., supplies	10.75	
Bradford Garage, parts & repairs on mower	33.05	
Sanel Auto Parts, Inc., parts for mower	9.80	
Leonard Wheeler, loam	12.50	
Lora B. Cressy, Trustee: Sale of 4 cemetery lots	100.00	
State Treasurer, *social security withheld*	45.62	$1,610.40

Sunny Plain

Received from Trustees of Trust Funds:
Reimbursement for payments made (Carrie C. Trow & Willie S. Fund) $1,009.47

PAID:

Labor:		
Wallace Woodward	$180.17	
Robert H. Bagley	160.87	
Reuben S. Moore	40.18	
Forrest D. Craigie	72.02	
Varel Peaslee	64.93	
Wilfred Seavey	69.83	
Leon E. Sargent	45.33	
Harry Hanson, power shovel	151.00	
Ronald H. Kinsman, bulldozing	30.00	
William Cleve, loam	58.75	
Lizzie Snow, gravel	14.00	
Ralph L. Dodge Co., nails & paint	31.80	
Merr. Farmers' Exchange, paint	14.70	
Merr. Farmers' Exchange: service on pump	56.30	
Arthur Rowe, labor on pump	3.00	
Public Service Co., electric service	21.20	$1,014.58

Union, Bradford Church & Pleasant Hill Cemeteries

From Trustees of Trust Funds:
Reimbursement from Bradford Cemetery Trust Fund $470.34

PAID:			
Bradford Church Cemetery:			
Lloyd Nolan, painting	$78.82		
Forrest Craigie, painting	46.25		
Roy P. Parsons, labor	39.50		
C.A.Danforth & Co., paint	40.00	$204.57	
Union Cemetery:			
Lloyd Nolan, painting	$122.07		
Carroll Butnam, carpenter	62.43		
Roy P. Parsons, labor	35.65		
C. A. Danforth & Co., paint & turpentine	63.39		
Ralph L. Dodge Co., hinges	4.40		
Guy A. Craig, lumber	3.20	$291.14	
Pleasant Hill:			
Wallace Woodward, painting	$44.46		
Robert H. Bagley, painting	57.82		
Horace Bagley, carpenter	39.69		
Horace Bagley, sawing out pickets	14.70		
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, nails and paint	16.58		
Carroll Butman, lumber	62.77	$236.02	
		$731.73	
Total Expenses			$3,356.71
Overdraft			$436.40

Parks and Playgrounds

Appropriation	$100.00	
Trustees of Trust Funds, reimbursement of expenses at French's Park	32.76	$132.76
PAID:		
French's Park:		
Lloyd Nolan, labor	$64.78	
Robert Bagley, labor	13.98	
Wallace Woodward, labor & truck	25.29	
Roy P. Parsons, labor	48.56	

C. A. Danforth & Co., supplies		5.00	
Guy A. Craig, lumber for toilets		24.00	
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, roofing		3.47	
Lafayette Square:			
Thomas Pitts, mowing		7.84	
State Treasurer:			
social security withheld		2.85	195.77
Overdraft			$63.01

Insurance

Appropriation		$1,200.00	
Stop Payment check No. 379		169.08	
Elizabeth A. Cilley, insurance dividend		20.38	$1,387.46
PAID:			
Elizabeth A. Cilley:			
Liability on fire trucks	$85.10		
Liability on Ford truck and grader	70.65		
Officers' Bonds	117.22		
Workmen's Compensation	238.20		
Volunteer Fire Co.	143.75	$654.92	
Roy A. Messer:			
Fire truck No. 1	7.50		
French's Park buildings	10.95		
Fire House, contents & Tractor shed	169.08		
Austin grader & plow	20.48		
1953 Ford truck	5.20		
Siren	8.00		
Liability, Town Hall, etc.	233.75		
Fire Department: pumper & equipment	12.00		
Replace void check No. 379	169.08	$636.01	
Lester F. Hall:			
Liability, 1949 Ford		39.32	
Louise Wolfe, Library Trustee:			
reimbursement Library insurance		106.66	$1,436.94
Overdraft			$17.48

Taxes Bought By Town

Gideon G. Barstow Estate	$89.68	
John Rowell	40.58	
*Douglas Saxby	188.37	
George Shattuck	92.79	
Albert Robinson	78.16	
August Rehberg	129.28	
*Benjamin Johnson, Jr.	192.55	
*William Tapply	69.48	
Harold Toomey	111.23	
Woodsville Logging Co.	17.86	
Robert Bailey	15.98	
Paul Clark	126.58	
John Farrell	11.10	
Eugene Haywood	9.87	
M. O. Matthewson Heirs	5.26	
Edwin A. Moore, Jr.	138.01	$1,316.78

**Redeemed*

Interest

Appropriation		$600.00
PAID:		
On long term notes	$295.70	
On short term notes	494.62	$790.32
Overdraft		$190.32

Indebtedness

Long Term Notes

Appropriation		$4,000.00
PAID:		
Citizens National Bank:		
Payment on 1953 Highway truck	$1,000.00	

Payment on fire truck	1,000.00	
Sugar River Savings Bank:		
Payment on grader	1,000.00	
Payment on rebuilding 3 bridges	1,000.00	$4,000.00

Short Term Notes

Citizens National Bank:		
borrowed in anticipation of taxes	$45,000.00	$45,000.00

Payments to other Governmental Divisions

PAID:		
Donald G. Rainie, Treasurer:		
county tax	$3,639.77	
Lillian S. Frey, School Treasurer	31,335.80	
State of N. H., Head Tax & penalties	1,398.50	$36,374.07

Vital Statistics

Appropriation		$25.00
PAID:		
Elizabeth A. Cilley, vital statistics	$18.86	
State Treasurer:		
social security withheld	.39	$19.25
Balance		$ 5.75

Advertising

PAID:		
State of N. H., 19 misc. signs	$34.00	$34.00

Legal Expense

Perkins & Dowst, research and letter of opinion	$10.00	$10.00

Planning Board Expense

Appropriation	$50.00
No expense	
Balance	$50.00

Town Brochure

Appropriation	$200.00
No expenditures	
Balance	$200.00

Social Security

Appropriation		$300.00
PAID:		
State Treasurer, administrative costs	$5.83	
State Treasurer, social security - 2%	119.73	$125.56
Balance		$174.44

Report on Social Security for One Year

Taken from Highway account	$175.82	
Taken from Library account	8.50	
Taken from Selectmen's account	119.73	
Administrative costs to State	5.83	$309.88

TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE

Forrest D. Craigie, *Road Agent*

Balance on hand January 1, 1956	$5.41	
Received from Selectmen	22,740.55	
		$22,745.96
Expenditures of Road Agent		22,742.05
Balance on hand, December 31, 1956		$3.91

Winter Roads

Received from Selectmen		$6,317.10
PAID:		
Labor		
Forrest D. Craigie	$1,287.38	
Varel Peaslee	1,127.17	
Leon E. Sargent	486.45	
Harry Hanson	31.85	
Frank Fortune	4.90	
Donald Wilder	50.88	
John J. Fortune	75.16	
Donald Keith	35.53	
Raymond Sargent	20.82	
Carroll Butman	39.19	
Thomas Pitts	30.48	
Carl Ingalls	44.12	
Charles Delgado	8.10	
Wilfred Seavey	137.84	
George H. Shattuck, Jr.	6.94	
Fred Jones	11.56	
Frank Jones	10.41	
Arthur Valley	9.53	
Stanley Heath	14.15	
Forrest M. Craigie	16.94	
Neil Peaslee	22.14	
Marshall H. Hanson, Jr.	11.57	
William Seavey	9.25	
Harry Hanson, Tractor & shovel	817.50	

Frank Fortune, tractor & shovel	120.00	
Leonard F. Wheeler, shovel	362.15	
R. H. Hassell, gravel	23.20	
American Oil Co., gasoline	360.74	
C. W. Rowe, gasoline	3.00	
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, chloride & salt	634.80	
Winslow & Keniston, road salt	236.00	
State Treasurer, *social security*	141.61	
Director of Internal, *withholding tax*	324.50	$6,515.86

Summer Roads

Received from Selectmen		$6,000.00
PAID:		
Labor		
Forrest D. Craigie	$975.51	
Varel Peaslee	858.60	
Wilfred Seavey	773.11	
George H. Shattuck, Sr.	101.74	
Harry Hanson	86.96	
Wallace Brown	16.55	
Reuben S. Moore	23.12	
Leon E. Sargent	360.98	
Zealous Shove	2.31	
Harry Hanson, tractor & shovel	1,252.50	
Leonard Wheeler, drilling	20.00	
R. H. Kinsman, bulldozing	40.00	
Harry Biathrow, power shovel	36.00	
Gravel		
S. O. Blake	127.20	
Richard Smith	33.20	
William Cleve	15.00	
Edward Sylvester	2.40	
Lillian Putnam	2.20	
R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc., culverts	97.93	
Guy A. Craig, lumber for fence	3.50	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	437.13	
American Oil Co., gasoline	584.79	
State Treasurer, *social security*	137.39	
Internal Revenue District Director of: *withholding tax*	249.03	$6,237.20

Oiling

Received from Selectmen		$4,500.00
PAID:		
Labor		
Forrest D. Craigie	$72.96	
Varel Peaslee	68.85	
Leon E. Sargent	62.85	
Wilfred Seavey	61.55	
Harry Hanson	15.93	
Wallace Brown	24.05	
Harry Hanson, tractor & shovel	150.00	
William Cleve, gravel	41.20	
State of N. H., labor & sand	117.29	
Koppers Co., Inc., cutback	816.82	
N. H. Bituminous Products Co., asphalt	2,181.25	
State Treasurer, *social security*	24.09	
District Director of Internal Revenue: *withholding tax*	40.30	$3,678.04

Repairs to Bridges

Received from Selectmen		$500.00
PAID:		
Labor		
Forrest D. Craigie	$11.76	
Varel Peaslee	9.80	
Wilfred Seavey	9.80	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., bridge rail	167.39	
W. A. Hezelton & Son, lumber	170.24	
State Treasurer, *social security*	14.17	
Director of Internal Revenue: *withholding tax*	18.20	$401.36

Rebuilding Pond Bridge

Received from Selectmen		$1,500.00
PAID:		
Labor		
Forrest D. Craigie	$88.72	
Varel Peaslee	83.80	
Leon E. Sargent	76.22	

Wilfred E. Seavey	79.20	
Harry Hanson	49.00	
Harry Hanson, tractor & shovel	90.00	
Leonard F. Wheeler, drilling	25.00	
Bradford Garage, labor & welding	154.80	
Bradford Garage, steel	68.00	
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, cement	13.90	
Granite State Asphalt Products Co., asphalt	47.75	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., bridge plank	990.00	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., bridge rail	159.03	
State Treasurer, *social security*	16.97	
Director of Internal Revenue, *withholding tax*	38.82	$1,981.21

Dump

Received from Selectmen		$600.00
PAID:		
Labor:		
Almon S. Dowlin,	$468.60	
Forrest D. Craigie	11.76	
Varel Peaslee	9.80	
Wilfred Seavey	9.80	
Leon E. Sargent	9.80	
Harry Hanson, tractor & shovel	24.00	
S. O. Blake, gravel	18.00	
State Treasurer, *social security*	18.48	
Director of Internal Revenue, *withholding tax*	14.00	$584.24

General Highway Expense

Received from Selectmen		$3,323.45
PAID:		
Public Service Co., electricity service	$21.03	
Merr. Co. Tel. Co., service $51.00		
tolls 12.20	63.20	
Citizens Nationl Bank, service charges	23.50	

Jim's Auto Service, oil, parts & repairs	543.44	
Bradford Garage, tires, parts & repairs	1,138.09	
Sanel Auto Parts, Inc., parts	6.66	
Arthur Gardner, repairs & supplies	103.07	
Concord & Claremont Railroad, express	7.50	
Ralph L. Dodge Co., supplies	38.05	
R. C. Hazelton Co., plow parts	300.29	
Petrometal Industries, tow chain	19.45	
Petrometal Industries, cutting edges for grader	39.49	
Scott Machinery Co., Inc., grader parts & repairs	412.91	
Page Belting Co., pipe for grader	11.46	
Cressy & Williams, repairs & parts on grader	19.55	
C. A. Danforth & Co., fuel oil	109.88	
Sawyer & Howlett, parts	5.65	
Charles W. Sanborn, 2 "Bridge Closed" signs	14.00	
Merrill & Cote, Inc., sander repairs	23.71	
Casellini-Venable Corp., parts for sander	6.36	
Smith's Garage, oil	11.60	
Jean Larivere, iron for hone	24.50	
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, door	290.00	
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, cutters, brush, & axe	15.35	
N. H. Explosives & Machinery Co., dynamite & caps	21.60	
Ray Road Equipment, sign & cutting edges	17.85	
Arthur Valley & Co., parts for chain saw	53.95	
Astles Lumber Co., lumber	2.00	$3,344.14

In all departments the withholding tax has been withheld from wages as has one-half of the social security.

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Your Town Dump

Use it freely * * * * * * Care for it

Your town dump has been set up for your personal convenience. It provides a suitable place where you can dispose of the large amounts of dangerous, inflammable waste material and other useless items which accumulate around your household and local stores, brush, etc., cut on your property. The town dump has become a valuable and indispensable asset in modern community life.

The most successful town dumps are supervised — regular days provided for their use and inflammable material consistently burned. The town dump which receives no attention, where waste material is scattered about without supervision of any description, soon becomes a community menace and a liability rather than an asset.

Many people still burn debris around their homes. A large number of such fires get out of control causing unnecessary damage and expense to the burner. *Why burn at home?* Make use of your town dump and elimate the hazard of burning. It will be easier for you — personally and financially.

If, however, you do burn on your premises

1. **Secure a permit from your local forest fire warden — the law requires it. The warden won't refuse you if conditions are safe.**
2. **Be sure to properly supervise your burning. Don't leave it.**
3. **Make certain your fire is DEAD OUT before leaving it.**

Save yourself much possible difficulty.

Use your dump freely — Help Keep it safe

1956 Fire Record for our Town:

Number of local fires	1
Number of acres burned	1/10
Number of permits issued	28

Thos. J. King
District Fire Chief

Nelson C. Spaulding
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

of the

TOWN OF BRADFORD

for the

Year Ending December 31, 1956

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

December 31, 1956

Thomas J. Moore, Jr.
Lora B. Cressy
Vivian A. Messer
Trustees of Trust Funds

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF BRADFORD, N. H., ON DECEMBER 31, 1956

Date of Creation	TRUST FUNDS Purpose of Creation Name of Fund	How Funds are Invested	Amount of Principal	Balance of Income on hand at beginning of Year	Rate of Interest	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on Hand at End of Year
11/13/41	Alexander, Charles H.	U. S. Bond V 840 205 G	$500.00	42.76	2½	$13.88	$15.00	$ 41.64
9/22/44	Bailey, Ethel M.	"	100.00	2.05	2½	2.57	2.50	2.12
4/11/44	Blood, Hollis L.	"	100.00	1.92	2½	2.54	2.50	1.96
1/20/41	Bradford, Carolyn G.	"	100.00	3.21	2½	2.60	2.50	3.31
11/ 2/20	Brockway, Freeman	"	100.00	20.57	2½	3.15	5.00	18.72
6/ 1/43	Carlton, Kate E. C.	"	500.00	17.68	2½	13.06	12.50	18.24
8/10/20	Choate, Emma L.	"	100.00	2.64	2½	2.57	2.50	2.71
4/11/44	Clark, Ella P.	"	100.00	1.55	2½	2.54	2.50	1.59
6/25/18	Collins, Lemuel	"	100.00	3.60	2½	2.60	2.50	3.70
2/ 3/36	Cressy, Ada	"	100.00	2.89	2½	2.57	2.50	2.96
5/27/43	Cummings, Roswell & Lloyd	"	100.00	2.63	2½	2.57	2.50	2.70
8/28/29	Day, Ward L.	"	150.00	15.43	2½	4.64	5.00	15.07
1/25/43	Huntoon, Marietta(*Library*)	"	3,000.00	7.19	2½	75.23	21.39	61.03
3/ 6/07	Bartlett, Charles & Carlos	U. S. Bond M6 050 126 G	100.00	1.83	2½	2.54	2.50	1.87
2/15/17	Blaisdell, James H.	"	100.00	1.18	2½	2.54	2.50	1.22
4/23/37	Bradbury & Reed	"	100.00	1.33	2½	2.54	2.50	1.37
1/28/30	Butman, Joshua & Eben	"	100.00	1.83	2½	2.54	2.50	1.87

4/25/18	Carr, Mary E.	"	100.00	2.51	2½	2.57	3.00	2.08
5/ 4/26	Cofrin, George W.	"	100.00	6.18	2½	2.70	3.00	5.88
6/13/33	Ewins, John H.	"	100.00	2.18	2½	2.57	2.50	2.25
10/11/06	Harvey, Clara	"	100.00	4.38	2½	2.63	2.50	4.51
10/13/30	Howe, Frank H.	"	100.00	2.27	2½	2.57	2.50	2.34
2/20/26	Huntoon, Martin H.	"	100.00	2.82	2½	2.57	2 50	2.89
2/15/29	Carr, Frank T.	U. S. Bond M6 050 125 G	300.00	9.40	2½	7.80	7.50	9.70
2/15/29	Collins & Marshall	"	500.00	19.24	2½	13.12	15.00	17.36
4/15/29	French, Daniel & John E.	"	200.00	5.55	2½	5.17	6.00	4.72
3/ 8/49	Bradford Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	2,207.74	394.87	3	75.47	470.34	
	"	U. S. Bond M6 050 124 G	500.00	above	2½	12.50	above	12.50
2/ 1/12	Hoyt, Sarah Raymond(*Mem.*)	"	500.00	1.77	2½	12.54		14.31
11/ 4/43	Eaton, J. Willis	U. S. Bond M5 901 627 G	100.00	2.61	2½	2.57	2.50	2.68
2/ 3/36	Emory, John	"	100.00	3.60	2½	2.60	2.50	3.70
8/ 7/35	Ewins, Hattie G.	"	100.00	3.60	2½	2.60	2.50	3.70
5/ 1/39	Fisher, Fred W.	"	200.00	5.75	2½	5.17	5.00	5.92
9/14/43	Gardner, Mary F.	"	100.00	3.55	2½	2.60	2.50	3.65
2/10/20	Hart, William S.	"	100.00	2.31	2½	2.57	2.50	2.38
10/ 7/44	Hoyt, Elbridge G.	"	100.00	2.12	2½	2.57	2.50	2.19
1/25/43	Huntoon, Marietta	"	200.00	3.50	2½	5.10	5.00	3.60
6/ 1/39	Kittredge, Everett	U. S. Bond M5 901 626 G	100.00	3.60	2½	2.60	2.50	3.70
8/13/37	Marshall, Charles H.	"	100.00	.39	2½	2.50		2.89
12/29/32	McDowell, Mary A.	"	100.00	1.36	2½	2.54	2.50	1.40
4/29/41	Messer, Hannah E.	"	100.00	1.60	2½	2.54	2.50	1.64
1/31/24	Morse, Elvira J.	"	100.00	6.52	2½	2.70	3.00	6.22
8/ 5/44	Morse, Flora M.	"	200.00	9.24	2½	5.30	6.00	8.54
6/ 5/39	Peaslee, Caroline F.	"	100.00	3.60	2½	2.60	2.50	3.70
9/ 1/20	Peaslee, Daniel G.	"	100.00	1.36	2½	2.54	2.50	1.40
10/19/38	Peaslee, George W.	U. S. Bond M5 901 626 G	100.00	4.13	2½	2.63	2.50	4.26

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11/26/43	Peaslee, Lizzie F.	U. S. Bond M5 901 625 G	200.00	9.48	2½	5.30	5.00	9.78
6/12/39	Rand & Cheney	"	100.00	2.64	2½	2.57	2.50	2.71
10/ 7/44	Sanborn, Joseph W.	"	100.00	2.75	2½	2.57	2.50	2.82
7/ 9/42	Smith & Forsaith	"	100.00	4.53	2½	2.63	2.50	4.66
8/13/37	Smyth, Joseph H.	"	100.00	2.89	2½	2.57	2.50	2.96
12/11/43	Terry, Joseph N.	"	200.00	34.91	2½	6.12	5.00	36.03
10/18/43	Trow, Etta F.	"	100.00	3.84	2½	2.60	2.50	3.94
9/ 2/36	Whitcomb, Parker S.	"	100.00	4.22	2½	2.63	3.00	3.85
4/15/22	Miller, William H.	U. S. Bond D2 838 071 G	200.00	16.14	2½	5.52	5.00	16.66
4/27/29	Moon, Emily R.	"	100.00	2.82	2½	2.57	2.50	2.89
9/19/32	Morse, Charles H.	"	50.00	1.66	2½	1.29	1.50	1.45
2/13/15	Morse, Lottie A.	"	150.00	9.74	2½	4.05	6.00	7.79
3/14/32	Hoyt, George A.	U. S. Bond D2 838 070 G	50.00	1.91	2½	1.29	1.25	1.95
6/22/42	Marshall, Joshua P.	"	100.00	1.54	2½	2.54	2.50	1.58
11/23/26	Peaslee, Maria R.	"	50.00	2.46	2½	1.32	1.50	2.28
4/20/23	Rand & Woods	"	100.00	1.18	2½	2.54	2.50	1.22
5/ 1/26	Rowe, Eliza	"	100.00	1.58	2½	2.54	2.50	1.62
8/ 9/15	Walton, Betsey B.	"	100.00	8.07	2½	2.76	5.00	5.83

10/22/21	Hall, Almira	U. S. Bond D2 838 072 G	200.00	61.67	2½	7.01	6.50	62.18
10/14/10	Ingalls, Abbie	"	100.00	10.56	2½	2.83	5.00	8.39
4/27/18	Martin, Mary T.	"	100.00	1.58	2½	2.54	2.50	1.62
1/ 5/05	Martin, Sarah J.	"	100.00	9.94	2½	2.82	2.50	10.26
11/12/47	Clogston, Fred N.	U. S. Bond C4 777 132 G	100.00	1.66	2½	2.55	2.50	1.71
12/ 5/46	Melvin, Edson R.	U. S. Bond C4 777 130 G	50.00	.71	2½	1.28	1.25	.74
5/25/42	Ring, Obediah E.	" " " & SRSB	75.00	4.36	2½	2.20	2.00	4.56
8/27/19	Ward, Edwin D.	U. S. Bond C4 777 131 G	100.00	2.28	2½	2.57	2.50	2.35
6/17/47	Colby, Fred A. & Minnie G.	U. S. Bonds C4 605 990-1 G	200.00	2.89	2½	5.10	5.00	2.99
1/ 9/09	Farrington, Ann Maria	U. S. Bond C4 990 153 G & SRSB	100.00	3.82	2½	3.00	1.75	5.07
4/ 5/29	Hadley, Sophronia A.	"	75.00	3.16	3	2.20	2.00	3.32
11/22/55	Bailey, Anna P.	Merr. Co. Savings Bank	500.00		3¼	9.48		9.48
3/24/54	Baker, Etta B.	"	150.00	.38	3¼	7.50	3.00	4.88
1/ 5/45	Bly, Willis N.	"	150.00	7.10	3¼	7.86	4.00	10.96
7/12/54	Bradbury, Emily (*Flowers*)	"		1.25		returned	1.25	
9/24/53	Cheney, Addie A.	"	100.00	.50	3¼	5.03	3.00	2.53
4/26/55	Cheney, Walter A.	"	200.00		3¼	7.87	3.00	4.87
5/24/56	Flanders, Annie Smyth	60 shrs Home Ins. Co. stock	2,940.00		4.7	60.00	60.00	
7/ 8/47	Forsberg, Andrew G.	Merr. Co. Savings Bank	100.00	2.53	3¼	5.13	2.50	5.16
11/16/29	Gillingham, Elinda M.	"	100.00	3.21	3¼	5.18	3.00	5.39
1/11/27	Gillingham, Freeman H.	"	100.00	.35	3¼	5.03	3.00	2.38
8/30/34	Johnson, Alvin	"	75.00	2.52	3¼	3.89	2.50	3.91
4/22/30	Jordan, Lucy A.	"	100.00	3.87	3¼	5.20	3.00	6.07
4/17/54	Keyser, Louie J.	"	150.00		3¼	7.50	3.00	4.50
1/ 5/22	Martin, Sarah Paige	"	200.00	5.89	3¼	10.32	6.50	9.71
9/ 6/30	Melvin, Helen S.	"	100.00	3.99	3¼	5.20	6.00	3.19
8/23/34	Newman, Charles M.	"	50.00	1.99	3¼	2.58	1.50	3.07
2/ 5/31	Noyes, William	"	100.00	2.98	3¼	5.15	3.00	5.13
9/20/26	Pierce, Harriet	"	75.00	2.73	3¼	3.88	4.00	2.61
8/ 6/56	Sargent, Stella M. (*New*)	"	200.00					
11/ 5/30	Studley, Dr. Harvey	"	100.00	4.43	3¼	5.23	3.50	6.16
6/ 8/55	Sutherland, Col. S. J.	"	90.00		3¼	2.61		2.61
11/19/48	Trow, Willie S.	"	200.00	1.56	3¼	10.10	5.00	6.66
5/25/51	Wood, Kate E. B.	"	150.00	7.07	3¼	7.89	5.00	9.96
11/ 7/28	Woods, George A.	"	200.00	6.23	3¼	10.33	6.25	10.31

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6/ 1/49	Bradford Pond Church Trust	*Principal held by* Mech. Bank	500.00	263.58		56.61		320.19
1/31/41	Redington, Ida M.	"	285.00	169.71		31.71	15.00	186.42
11/ 5/42	Bradford Pond Meetinghouse	11 shrs. Merr.Farm.Exchange	275.00	42.60	4½	13.76	25.00	31.36
10/27/37	Ward, Ralph & Colby, Lloyd	4 "	100.00	18.07	3¼	5.09	5.00	18.16
11/29/29	French, John E. (*Park Fund*)	Sugar River Savings Bank	1,000.00		3¼	32.76	32.76	
11/20/07	Hall, Mary C. (*Library Fund*)	S.R.S.B.(*from princ.* $42.34)	191.89		3¼	7.66	7.66	
1/31/44	Johnson, Effie S.(*Library Fund*)	Sugar River Savings Bank	50.00	18.26	3¼	2.23		20.49
12/21/51	Trow, Carrie C. & Willie S.(*SP*)	"	8,000.00	795.48	3¼	238.15	1009.37	74.26
5/16/47	Trow, Emma I.	"	100.00	4.88	3¼	3.42	2.50	5.80
12/16/52	Gray, Emily L.	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	3.05	3¼	6.42	6.00	3.47
21/16/52	Rolfe, Marjorie H.	"	100.00		3¼	3.14	3.00	.14
12/16/52	Staniels, H. E.	"	100.00	1.50	3¼	3.19	3.00	1.69
		Totals	$32,489.63	$2,231.00		$1069.19	$1983.37	$1316.82

All funds are Cemetery Funds unless otherwise specified.

Interest of all funds in U. S. Bonds is held in original Savings Bank accounts.

BROWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Report of Trustees

The Trustees of Brown Memorial Library announce another successful year. Mrs. Effie M. Craigie, Librarian, reports a total circulation of 7,471 books and magazines. (Children's 1243, Adult Fiction 4,121, Adult Non-Fiction 2,107). The demand for Adult non-fiction is increasing.

The Bradford's Women's Club donated $50 to the library for books of reference and subject matter, for which we are very grateful. It enabled us to qualify for State Aid. The library will receive The New World Encyclopedia plus several more books of reference and subject matter.

Received from fees - non-resident cards and records		$60.93
Books purchased	$33.10	
Misc. Expense	23.07	56.17
Balance December 31, 1956		$4.76

Donors of Books

Bradford Women's Club
Leon Baxter
Mrs. Nancy Wheeler
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wiley
Miss Mabel Gardner
Mrs. Arthur Woodman
Mr. and Mrs. George Simpson
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Seton
Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Evans
Mrs. Grace Oldfield
Theodore Gaskell
Miss Marion Smardon
Women's Christian Guild
Miss Mabelle Steele
Kenneth Beal
Smith Williams
Arthur Lander
Mrs. Harris Maxfield
Allene Simpson Hamilton
Rev. Norman Armstrong
Mrs. Marshall Gilchrist
Mrs. Eldred Keays
Frank Heffer
N. H. State Library

AMY K. MILNER
ELIZABETH M. LARRIVEE
LOUISE B. WOLFE
Trustees, Brown Memorial Library

Treasurer's Report for 1956

Receipts

Cash on hand December 31, 1955		$225.23
Received from Town	$1,000.00	
Received from Mary C. Hall Fund	50.00	
Received from Marietta Huntoon Fund	21.39	
Received from Bartlett Fund	50.00	
Received from Bradford Women's Club	50.00	
Received from Women's Christian Guild	10.00	
Refund from Town for Insurance	106.66	
Sale of Books	18.41	
Outstanding check	3.40	$1,309.86
Total Receipts		1,535.09

Payments

Salaries	$416.48	
Social Security	17.00	
Books purchased	293.41	
Magazines	68.10	
Lights	36.23	
Fuel	290.94	
Insurance	146.12	
Insurance Fund	55.00	
Supplies	19.98	
Repairs	21.39	
Bank Service Charges	8.25	
Gift to Retiring Assistant State Librarian	5.00	$1,377.90
Balance on Hand, December 31, 1956		$157.19

Respectfully Submitted,

LOUISE B. WOLFE
Treasurer - Library Trustees

AUDITORS' REPORT

We, the Auditors of the Town of Bradford, have examined the books of the Selectmen, Tax Collector, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Road Agent, Library Trustees, and the Trustees of the Trust Funds, for the year ending December 31, 1956, compared their figures and vouchers and find the same correct.

BEACHLEY WOLFE
LEON F. PERKINS
Town Auditors

BRADFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

OFFICERS

Moderator
Paul N. Gove

Clerk and Treasurer
Lillian S. Frey

School Board
Howard G. Tilton '57
Robert A. Moore '58 Florence V. Jones '59

Superintendent of Schools
William C. Sterling

Auditor
Beachley Wolfe

School Nurse
Ruth Whitcomb, R.N.

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the town of Bradford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 8th day of March 1957, at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.

2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.

6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose Agents, Auditors, and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriations of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundation aid fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriations, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To see if the district will vote to authorize the school board to make application for and to accept, on behalf of the district, any or all grants or offers for educational purposes which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the State of New Hampshire and/or United States.

10. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Bradford this 22nd day of February, 1957.

HOWARD G. TILTON
ROBERT A. MOORE
FLORENCE V. JONES
School Board of Bradford

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

HOWARD G. TILTON
ROBERT A. MOORE
FLORENCE V. JONES
School Board of Bradford

BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRADFORD

Proposed Budget 1957-58 and Financial Report 1955-56

Expenditures	*Actual Expenditures* 1955-56	*Adopted Budget* 1956-57	*Sch. Boards' Budget* 1957-58
Administration:			
Salaries of district officers	$350.00	$352.50	$352.50
Superintendent's salary (local share)	389.20	377.60	363.26
Tax for state wide supervision	206.00	204.00	194.00
Salaries of other adm. personnel	327.91	206.50	195.94
Supplies and expenses	204.98	194.91	185.00
Instruction:			
Elementary teachers' and principal's salaries	9,450.68	9,700.00	10,200.00
Books and other instructional aids	94.10	250.00	250.00
Scholars' supplies	647.73	500.00	500.00
Supplies and other expenses	142.36	125.00	125.00
Operation of School Plant:			
Salaries of custodians	580.38	600,00	600.00
Fuel or heat	1,214.97	825.00	1,400.00
Water, light, supplies and expenses	449.37	300.00	400.00
Maintenance of School Plant:			
Repairs and replacements	734.34	400.00	400.00
Auxiliary Activities:			
Health supervision,	335.00	445.00	450.00
Transportation, High	1,521.50	1,500.00	1,600.00
Transportation, Elem.	3,085.26	3,300.00	3,400.00
Tuition, High	6,974.45	8,700.00	8,100.00
Special activities and special funds	---	50.00	50.00
School lunch and special milk (fed. and dist. funds)	415.52	450.00	450.00
Fixed Charges:			
Retirement	263.71	700.00	750.00
Insurance, treas. bond and expenses	209.50	217.00	300.00
Contingency Fund		300.00	300.00
Total Current Expenses	$27,596.96	$29,697.51	$30,565.70

Total Current Expenses (*fwd.*)	$27,596.96	$29,697.51	$30,565.70
Capital Outlay:			
New equipment	$99.00	$100.00	$100.00
Total Expenditures or School Appropriation	$27,695.96	$29,797.61	$30,665.70

Receipts	*Actual Receipts* 1955-56	*Adopted Budget* 1956-57	*Sch. Boards Budget* 1957-58
Balance (actual or estimated)	$601.64		
Federal Aid	425.38	450.00	450.00
Elementary school tuition	100.00		
Other	2.36		
Total Receipts	$1,129.38	$450.00	$450.00
District Assessment Raised or to be Raised by Property Taxes	$27,503.29	$29,347.61	$30,215.70
Total Appropriation Voted By School District	**$28,632.67**		

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER

Receipts

Cash on hand July 1, 1955	$601.64	
Current Appropriation	27,503.29	
School Lunch and Milk Program (*Federal Funds*)	425.38	
Tuition for Katherine Louise Volkmar	100.00	
Other Sources	2.36	
Total Receipts		$28,632.67

Expenditures

Orders of School Board	27,695.96
Balance on Hand June 30, 1956	$936.71

Lillian S. Frey
District Treasurer

July 5, 1956
Examined and found correct.

Beachley Wolfe
Auditor

STATEMENT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

Expenditures

Salaries of District Officers	$350.00	
Superintendent's Salary (Town's share)	389.20	
Tax for Statewide Supervision	206.00	
Salaries of other Administrative Personnel	227.91	
Supplies and Expenses	204.98	
Teachers' Salaries	9,042.50	
Books and other instructional aids	94.10	
Scholars' Supplies	647.73	
Supplies and other expenses	142.36	
Salary of Custodians	580.38	
Fuel or Heat	1,060.45	
Water, Lights, Supplies and Expenses	603.89	
Repairs and Replacements	734.34	
Health Supervision	435.00	
Transportation	4,575.50	
Tuition	6,974.45	
Special Activities	446.78	
Retirement	671.89	
Insurance and Treasurer's Bond	209.50	
New Equipment	99.00	$27,695.96

Detailed Statement of Payments

Salaries of District Officers:		
Howard G. Tilton	$100.00	
Robert A. Moore	100.00	
Florence V. Jones	100.00	
Lillian S. Frey	50.00	350.00
Superintendent's Salary - (dist. share)		389.20
Tax for Statewide Supervision		206.00
Salaries of other Administrative Personnel:		
Supt. Secretary (dist. share)	200.00	
Grace Trow	25.00	
Paul Gove	2.50	227.91
Supplies and Expenses		204.98

Teachers' Salaries:		
Vernice Dwinnells	3,000.00	
Evelyn Norton	2,850.00	
Homer Hamlin	2,700.00	
Juanita Nolan	30.00	
Blanche Bailey (dist. share)	462.50	9,042.50
Books and other Instructional Aids		94.10
Scholars' Supplies		647.73
Supplies and other Expenses		142.36
Custodians' Salaries:		
Ethel Clement	500.00	
Vernon Hall	48.75	
Charles Page	19.00	
Arthur Valley Jr.	12.63	580.38
Fuel and Heat:		
C. A. Danforth & Co.	1,009.35	
Moore & Emerson	51.10	1,060.45
Water, Lights, Supplies and Expenses		603.89
Repairs and Replacements:		
Charles A. Sanborn	117.00	
Howard A. Milner	324.58	
Cressy & Williams	4.00	
Vernon Hall	10.00	
Bertha Russell	25.00	
Howard N. Chase	14.66	
Arthur Rowe	17.95	
Robert Moore	10.00	
Arthur Gardner	68.05	
Brown Window Shades	12.25	
James Volkmar	41.80	
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, Inc.	3.38	
General Electric Co.	85.67	734.34
Health Supervision:		
Dr. Arthur F. Wright	100.00	
Ruth B. Whitcomb, R.N.	335.00	435.00
Transportation:		
Frank A. Wise (Elementary)	1,980.00	
Frank A. Wise (High School)	1,521.50	
Elizabeth Bischoff	537.00	
Frances Ward	537.00	4,575.50

Tuition:		
Warner School District		6,974.45
Special Activities:		
Bradford Women's Club	425.38	
Cardigan Sports Store	21.40	446.78
Retirement:		
Union Secretary (dist. share)	34.38	
School Nurse	22.85	
Music Teacher	31.55	
Teachers	583.11	671.89
Insurance and Treasurer's Bond:		
Roy A. Messer Agency	192.40	
N. E. School Development	7.10	
Treasurer's Bond	10.00	209.50
New Equipment:		
Twombly Assoc. Inc.		99.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		$27,695.96
Cash on hand (June 30, 1956)		936.71
TOTAL		$28,632.67

Howard G. Tilton, *Chairman*
Robert A. Moore
Florence V. Jones
School Board

State Department of Health
Concord, New Hampshire

Suncook, N. H.
January 1, 1957

Selectmen,
Bradford, N. H.

Dear Sirs:

Herewith is a report of the Health work which has been done in your community by the Bureau of Public Health Nursing of the N. H. State Department of Health, co-operating with local Agencies as represented through the Local Child Health Committee and your School Health Department.

Polio Clincis:

Number held	1
Total Attendendance	52

Very truly yours,

Gertrude J. Snow
Public Health Nurse
Bureau of Public Health Nursing
N. H. State Department of Health

SCHOOL HEALTH
Annual Service Report
1955-1956

The School Health Service gives the following report:

Number of pupils examined	68
Number of teachers	3

Defects	*Number*	*Corrections*
Teeth	24	24
Glands	7	2
Wax in ears	3	2
Heart	1	1
Hernia	1	1
Vision	3	8
Diabetis	1	1

Special Work:	
Polio Clinic	69
Pre-entrance examination	8
Individual inspections	413
Special cases	4
Welfare cases	2
Home visits	36
First aid cases	26
Communicable diseases:	
Chicken pox	10
Mumps	1
Measles	22
Whooping cough	3
Pediculosis	1

We would like to thank all who helped with the polio clinic, school lunch program, and transportation for the school health work.

DR. ARTHUR WRIGHT
RUTH B. WHITCOMB, R.N.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Members of the School Board of Bradford District:

During the school year 1955-1956, the following teachers were employed:

TEACHER & GRADES	TRAINING	YR. GRAD.
Mr. Homer H. Hamlin, Grades 6-7-8	N. E. C.	1955
Mrs. Evelyn T. Norton, Grades 4-5	K. N. S.	1924
Mrs. Vernice H. Dwinnells, Prin., Grades 1-2-3	K. N. S.	7 summer sessions
Miss Blanche C. Bailey, Music	K. T. C.	1932

GENERAL STATISTICS

	Grades 6-7-8	Grades 4-5	Grades 1-2-3	Total 1955-56	Total 1954-55
Half days in session	354	354	354	354	348
Half days not in session	6	6	6	6	12
Number pupils registered	24	23	24	71	79
Average membership	20.8	21.6	22.08	64.5	75.3
Percent attendance	93.	93.44	92.9	92.4	92.1
Average tardiness per pupil	1.09	.64	1.03	.9	.67
Number visits Superintendent	33	16	15	64	68

22 pupils attended schools in other districts.

GRADUATES
June 1956

Arnold Anderson
Wallace Carmichael
Richard Gove
Patricia Hall
Annie Page
Charles Page Jr.
Lois Perkins
Arthur Valley

PERFECT ATTENDANCE
For One Year

Vicki Wheeler

There has been a complete change in the Bradford teaching staff. The new Principal is Mrs. Eunice E. Willgeroth, a graduate of Plymouth Teachers' College. Mrs. Charlene Bachry, a graduate of the University of Southern California, is the new middle grade teacher, and Miss Lucy Faulkner, a graduate of Wheelock College, is the new primary teacher. Mrs. Willgeroth is capable and experienced, while Mrs. Bachry and Miss Faulkner are beginning teachers with very fine backgrounds. They have made good starts and will continue to improve. All three teachers have a great deal to contribute to the young people of Bradford.

At the time this report is being written, an attempt is being made by the parents of the town to organize a ski program to take advantage of our being so close to the Mt. Sunapee ski area. This is an extremely valuable program. If a ski program were compared to the basketball program, the ski program would be found to be the more valuable in all ways. Basketball is played inside and not always under the best conditions. Basketball makes a good high school sport for those who are proficient, but at the end of high school most children no longer are able to play except in an occasional alumni game.

In contrast, the skier is out in the fresh air. He does not have to be one of the best in order to participate. Everyone, who wishes, may ski, some better than others perhaps, but who is to say which one has the most enjoyment. Finally, skiing is a sport which one can continue in New Hampshire as long as he wishes. With the ski area so close more of our people should take advantage of this sport. People in the cities appreciate the advantages we have and spend time and money to come to New Hampshire to enjoy the sport.

School costs show no sign of decreasing. Suppliers inform me that school supplies will increase 10% to 20% this coming year. The teacher supply continues to be short and this will continue for some time to come. The total number of births on a national level continues its upward swing this year, making the fourth year in a row that the national record has been broken. People are having larger families and more teachers are needed each year, with no end in sight.

I have had to spend more time than usual in Bradford due to the fact we have a new staff, but I enjoy coming to Bradford. The teachers, school board members, and the parents have been very understanding and cooperative.

WILLIAM C. STERLING
Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent's Salary
1955-1956

Bradford School District	$389.20
Henniker School District	838.73
Hopkinton School District	1,197.64
Newbury School District	354.81
Sutton School District	318.12
Warner School District	731.66
Webster School District	244.84
	$4,075.00
State Share	2,500.00
Total	$6,575.00

BRADFORD BAPTIST CHURCH

Dedicated - July 7, 1830 Remodeled 1906

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BRADFORD, N.H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1956

Date and Place of Birth	Name of Child (*if any*)	Sex	No.	Name of Father and Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents and Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father and of Mother
Jan. 1, 1956 New London, N. H.	Donna Lee	F	3	Kenneth F. Jones Florence G. Valley	Bradford, N. H. truck driver	Vermont New Hampshire
Jan. 26, 1956 New London, N. H.	Elaine Marie	F	2	Donald E. Wilder Pauline A. Whitehouse	Bradford, N. H. lumberman	New Hampshire New Hampshire
March 23, 1956 New London, N. H.	Nanine Evelyn	F	6	Durwood U. Morin Dorothy M. Waterman	Bradford, N. H. mechanic	Massachusetts Connecticut
April 15, 1956 New London, N. H.	Shirley Anne	F	2	Clinton G. Cornell Joyce E. Richards	Bradford, N. H. lumberjack	New York New Hampshire
April 24, 1956 New London, N. H.	Timothy Wayne	M	1	Charles R. Allen Mildred C. Ayer	Bradford, N. H. truck driver	New Hampshire New Hampshire
August 12, 1956 New London, N. H.	William Luther	M	1	Luther E. Sweet Mildred C. Nutter	Bradford, N. H. armed forces	New York New Hampshire
Oct. 7, 1956 New London, N. H.	Nancy Ann	F	1	Robert B. Whipple Annie E. Bagley	Bradford, N. H. machine operator	New Hampshire New Hampshire
Nov. 11, 1956 Concord, N. H.	Bradley Otis	M	4	Clarence L. Wheeler Mathilda H. Anderson	Bradford, N. H. salesman	New Hampshire New Hampshire
Nov. 28, 1956 Concord, N. H.	Theresa May	F	1	Richard L. Scribner Shirley M. Westerberg	Bradford, N. H. truck driver	New Hampshire Sweden
Dec. 26, 1956 New London, N. H.	Marc Victor	M	5	Stanley D. Saxby Muguette A. Kerkhove	Bradford, N. H. salesman	England France

Note: All white. All living. I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELIZABETH A. CILLEY, *Town Clerk*

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BRADFORD, N.H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1956

Date and Place of Death	Surname of Deceased	Age	Sex	Place of Birth and Occupation	Single Marr. Wid.	Name of Father and Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 17, 1956 Bradford, N. H.	Nellie M. Heath	69	F	Warner, N. H. housewife	M	David Bagley Nellie Nichols
Feb. 7, 1956 Concord, N. H.	Walter G. Hall	67	M	Rochester, N. H. clerk	M	William Hall Nellie Johnson
Feb. 26, 1956 New London, N. H.	Odina C. Gaudreau	75	F	Canada housewife	M	Henry Couture Camille Racine
Feb. 13, 1956 New London, N. H.	Cyrus Jones	57	M	Bradford, N. H. box shop	M	Frank Jones Lennie Swett
March 27, 1956 Concord, N. H.	Lloyd R. Cummings	65	M	Bradford, N. H. appraiser	M	Roswell W. Cummings Josephine Smith
May 2, 1956 Baltimore, Md.	Evarts C. Hall	57	M			
June 30, 1956 Belchertown, Mass.	Kristian Anderson	53	F			
July 16, 1956 New London, N. H.	Charles C. Stevens	78	M	Bradford, N. H. carpenter	M	Solomon G. Stevens Hannah Sargent
July 31, 1956 Bradford, N. H.	Ernest Keene	57	M	Plymouth, Pa. accountant	M	Edwin Keene unknown

Aug. 22, 1956 Hanover, N. H.	Mabel M. Gardner	76	F	Sunapee, N. H. retired teacher	S	George W. Gardner Mary F. Cressey
Sept. 26, 1956 New London, N. H.	Katherine M. Rowell	50	F	Salisbury, N. H. housewife	M	William George Maude Davis
Sept. 27, 1956 Bradford, N. H.	Arthur L. Heath	74	M	Hill, N. H. farmer	W	Lorenzo M. Heath Eunice Symonds
Oct. 29, 1956 Hillsboro, N. H.	A. Barton Steele	70	M	Bradford, N. H. linotype operator	M	George H. Steele Mary Jones
Nov. 5, 1956 Laconia, N. H.	William H. Page	84	M	Newport, Vt. painter	W	unknown unknown
Dec. 14, 1956 Concord, N. H.	George C. Wood	72	M	Hillsboro, N. H. woodchopper	S	Walter Wood Mary Boufford
Dec. 18, 1956 Manchester, N. H.	Harry Halladay	80	M	Weare, N. H.	S	George Halladay Helen Ward
Dec. 31, 1956 Bradford, N. H.	George H. Shattuck	78	M	Hartford, Vt. farmer	M	Albert Shattuck Lucy Fisk

Note: All white.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELIZABETH A. CILLEY, *Town Clerk*

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BRADFORD,N.H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,1956

Date and Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride and Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Age	Place of Birth and Occupation of Each	Names of Parents	Name, Residence and Official Station of Persons by whom Married
Jan. 4, 1956 Bradford, N.H.	Ned Hosea Smith Bradford, N. H. Myrtie D. Barton Hopkinton, N. H.	84 73	Lempster, N. H. retired Warner, N. H. at home	Stephen Smith Harriett M. Marshall Charles D. Robertson Hattie Bartlett	Rev.Norman Armstrong Clergyman Bradford, N. H.
April 7, 1956 Franklin, N. H.	Chandler Winslow Drummond Pontiac, Miss. Jane Cressy Symmes Bradford, N. H.	24 22	Michigan miner Massachusetts secretary	Robert S. Drummond Elise L. Meyer Ralph P. Symmes Marah P. Cressy	Rev. Clinton L. Morrill Clergyman Concord, N. H.
July 15, 1956 Bradford, N. H.	Kenneth Francis Bouchard Newbury, N. H. Arlene Sara Douglass Bradford N H.	21 18	Rhode Island U. S. Navy New Hampshire at home	John F. Bouchard Grace Carl Harmon T. Douglass Hattie A. Hall	Rev.Norman Armstrong Clergyman Bradford, N. H.
Aug. 11, 1956 Bradford, N. H.	Paul Erven Denningham Northfield, N. H. Linda Jean Gove Bradford, N. H.	22 18	Massachusetts U. S. M. C. New Hampshire at home	Charles W.Denningham Louise Rutherford Paul N. Gove Arline V. Thurber	Rev. Norman Armstrong Clergyman Bradford, N. H.

Note: All white. I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELIZABETH A. CILLEY, *Town Clerk*